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JOAQUIM.—In London on Feb. 28.
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Indian and Straits papers please apply.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.
Auction.
1.45 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, Mountain View, the Pak.
Miscellaneous

Goods per *Atomecia* undelivered at Noon on this date subject to rent.
Goods per *Nubis* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, April 3.—

11.30 a.m.—Meeting of Green Island Compt. Co., Ltd., at Messrs. Shaw, Toms Co.'s Office.

Noon—Meeting of China & Manila Steamship Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

MUNDAY, April 5.—

Noon—Meeting of China-Borneo Co., Ltd., at Co.'s Office.

Goods per *Ernest Simons* undelivered after this date at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

Goods per *Indra* undelivered after this date subject to rent.

TUESDAY, April 6.—

2.15 p.m.—Meeting of His Majesty's Justice of Peace at the Magistracy.

Goods per *Deronda* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, April 7.—

Goods per *Deronda* not cleared at 4 p.m. on this date subject to rent.

THURSDAY, April 8.—

2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furniture, &c., at Mr. H. W. Shad's residence, "Taiping," No. 116, the Pak.

FRIDAY, April 9.—

Noon—Meeting of Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd., at Head Office.

12.30 p.m.—Meeting of China Traders' Insurance Co., Ltd., at Head Office.

AERONAUTICS.

THE English newspapers are beginning

to exhibit some anxiety lest the present

curious apathy of the British nation

towards aeronautics should land us in a

bad mess, in view of the extraordinary

progress that has been made on the

continent in the direction of a complete

conquest of the air. Experiments are

now going on in aviation in at least

twelve countries of the world, and it is of

interest to note the relative amount of

attention which is being given to the

subject from the military point of view

under the different flags. The position

in this respect is shown in the following

table, prepared by the United States

Secretary of War, of the men engaged

in the experiments:

France Officers 24 Men 432

Germany 20 465

Russia 75 3,255

Italy 5 80

Austria 15 186

Spain 0 104

United Kingdom 5 40

United States 3 10

Whether this table is accurate or not

it is difficult to say. It will be remem-

bered that Mr. HALSTEAD, speaking in

Parliament the other day, stated that

\$19,000 had so far been spent on

experiments in military aeronautics, but

he declined giving further information.

The somewhat restricted appearance of

Aldershot of the military aeroplane in

charge of Mr. S. F. COPE, do not, howev-

er represent all that Great Britain is doing

in experiments on a rather extensive scale

have been going on for some time in a

wild and inaccessible part of Scotland,

but so far, however, as public trials are

concerned, it is probable that the table

quoted above is reliable.

Analyzing what may be called the

aerial fleet of the various nations, they

will be found to bear follows:

FRANCE

Belgian Officers 24 Men 432

Chinese 0 0

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Italian 5 80

Spanish 0 104

Swiss 5 40

United Kingdom 3 10

United States 0 0

Other countries 0 0

Portuguese 0 0

Spanish 0 0

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LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

His Excellency Sir Frederick Lugard presided at the meeting of the Legislative Council which was held this afternoon. There were also present:

COLONIAL OFFICERS.
Hon. Mr. F. H. May, Colonial Secretary.
Hon. Henry Brougham, K.C., Acting Attorney General.
Hon. Mr. W. G. Popham, Director of Public Works.
Hon. Mr. A. M. Thompson, Colonial Treasurer.
Hon. Mr. E. A. Irving, Registrar General.
Hon. F. J. Hadley, Capt. Script. of Police.
Hon. Mr. H. E. Pollock, K.C.U.
Hon. Dr. Ho Kai.
Hon. Mr. Wm. Yuk, C.M.G.
Hon. Mr. H. W. Shaw.
Hon. Mr. E. A. Haworth.
Mr. A. M. G. Fletcher (Clerk of Delegates).

THE VALUATION OF TENEMENTS.
Resolution by the Legislative Council under Section 1 (1) of the Rating Ordinance, 1901 (Ordinance No. 6 of 1901), this day of April, 1909. Received by the Legislative Council that the percentage on the valuation of tenements payable under the aforementioned Act be altered from the 1st day of July, 1909, as follows:

Tokwawan ... From 9% to 9½%
Hok Uo ... 10½% " 11%
Tikoktui ... 10½% " 11%
Hungshou ... 12½% " 13%
Tintatuan (Kowloon Point) ... 12½% " 13%
Yauku ... 12½% " 13%
Mongkoktui ... 12½% " 13%

The Hon. Colonial Secretary proposed the motion, and observed that as fire appliances were now available for use in case of fire it was reasonable that the rates be increased. The Hon. Colonial Treasurer seconded, and the motion was agreed to.

TYPHON WARNING.

His Excellency the Governor made some remarks on the recent visit of the Director of the Hongkong Observatory to the Manila institution, and stated that they had decided to expand a sum of \$1,200 in improving the instruments in the Hongkong Observatory. Further, the Director of the Manila institution had promised to send extra observations from other stations in the Philippines whenever the station at Apalit, which is independent, which was immediately firmly received. He also agreed to send any information in the determination of the position of typhoon centres.

PUBLIC HEALTH ORDINANCE.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Public Health and Buildings Ordinance, 1903.

The Hon. Attorney General proposed the first reading. The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a first time.

LIFE INSURANCE COMPANIES' ORDINANCE.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Life Insurance Companies' Ordinance, 1902.

The Hon. Attorney General proposed the first reading. The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a first time.

EVIDENCE ORDINANCE.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Evidence Ordinance, 1899.

The Hon. Attorney General proposed the first reading. The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a first time.

WIRELESS TELEGRAPHY.

First reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend The Wireless Telegraphy Ordinance, 1903.

The Hon. Attorney General proposed the first reading. The Hon. Colonial Secretary seconded and the bill was read a first time.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

A meeting of the Finance Committee was then held under the Presidentship of the Hon. Colonial Secretary when the following votes were considered and passed:

COMPENSATION FOR CLOSING OF QUAYS, DAVANS.
A sum of \$1,613 in aid of the vote, miscellaneous service, compensation to licensees for closure of quays or davans.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer wanted to know if the Home Government would be reminded of its promise to see that they were compensated.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary said the promise did not come into operation until the beginning of next year.

The Hon. Colonial Treasurer said this was the direct result of the action taken by the Home Government.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary—I don't think we need equate over a mere sum of \$1,600; we are not so hard up as that.

The Hon. Dr Ho Kai—but it might be noted bye and bye when presenting our bill.

The Hon. Colonial Secretary—The Secretary of State has promised to make good the loss as from the 1st of March, 1910.

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ND YOKOHAMA		About 2nd	Freight only.
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SHANGHAI	ASSAYE	About 15th	Freight and Passage.
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S.S. HEDDINGIA, 17th May.

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SIBERIA	18,000	SUNDAY, 1st May, at Noon.
CHINA	10,300	TUESDAY, 13th May, at Noon.
MONGOLIA	27,000	WEDNESDAY, 14th May, at Noon.
CHIYU MARU	21,000	SATURDAY, 22nd May, at Noon.
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there as a Captain. I am writing to you

as a friend of less rank who has been

in the Army with other officers after leaving

the Mori Branch of the Mikado's British

Army where I had been working until

the middle of November last. In view of

the existence among some people of more

or less wretched ideas about the treatment of

new soldiers in the Army, I take the liberty

of giving a brief account of my new life in

the barracks which will greatly oblige

me by justifying your valuable column,

should you consider it worth doing so.

The condition

THURSDAY APRIL 1, 1909.

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TONE	HONGKONG	Noon Saturday	Saturday, 1909	Saturday, 1909		Saturday, 1909	10 A.M.	
DELHI	1000	April 3	MONTEGO	May 1	1000	May 1	10 A.M.	
DEVANHA	8000	April 17	MONGOLIA	May 22	8000	May 22	10 A.M.	
ABRAYA	7000	May 1	MADRISHA	May 22	7000	June 15	4 P.M.	
DEHLA	8000	May 16	INDIA	June 15	8000	June 18	10 A.M.	
OBANA	8000	May 20	VICTORIA	July 3	8000	July 3	10 A.M.	
DELHI	8000	June 12	MOULSAN	July 11	8000	July 16	10 A.M.	
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STEAMERS	Leave	From	Leave	Due at
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PALMA	5000	April	21	June 16
NIVEA	6000	May	5	June 16
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MAIL SCHEDULE.
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"THE POCKET HERCULES."

Mr. Harold F. Evelyn, the "Pocket Hercules", as he has been called, arrived here on Monday last from Saigon. He is better known as "Ben Hur", having worked through the greater part of the Orient under "non de plume" showing his marvellous feats of strength. Mr. Evelyn is quite a young man and weighs about ten stone only. He has been pronounced by the medical profession of Australia as symmetrically perfect and superior in development to the wonderful Sandow. "Ben Hur" fell into a trap taken from The Godfather's Mice of August 7, 1908, the last six of the whole show was Ben Hur, who is described as the Pocket Hercules. This young gentleman gave an exhibition of muscular development the like of which has not been seen before on the fields, not excepting the wonderful Sandow. While Ben Hur's posing and muscle-dancing last evening was not of the massive order as shown here by Sandow, they seemed to be perfect in every movement, and all the principal muscles of the body were shown to work in a wonderfully developed condition. Although less than 10 st. in weight, Ben Hur is indeed to the audience as a ball of muscle in the pink of condition.

The "Daily Gazette", of August 18, 1908, gives an idea of the young man's wonderful strength. "Shorly before sunset last evening, in the King Street theatre, Ben Hur gave an astonishing display of muscular strength to the audience. The performance commenced with lying on his back and supporting with a plank placed seawards on his legs, six sturdy Isolines of the cargo boatman class, who sat on the plank. "Ben Hur" took an iron axle, to which two large wheels were secured, and throwing it up in the air, caught it in the nap of his neck. When lying stretched out on two chairs eight men stood on him. Bent back resting on the stage, he supported fourteen men, each averaging nine stone in weight."

Any one wishing to communicate with Mr. Evelyn may do so by addressing their correspondence care of the China Mail Office.

WEATHER REPORT.

The following notice is issued from the Hongkong Observatory:

On the 1st at 11.5 a.m.—The barometer has risen considerably over the N.E. coast of China, and moderately in K. Japan.

The depression lying over N. China yesterday has apparently moved Eastwards towards Manchuria.

Pressure is high over N. China and N.E. Japan.

Fresh N.E. winds may be expected in the Formosa Channel and the N. part of the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.05 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon tomorrow:

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.W. winds, fresh; cloudy, some rain.

2.—Formosa Channel, Same as No. 1.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lantau: Same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: Same as No. 1.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

Mail will close:

For HOIHOW, TOURANE & QUINHON. For Helene, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For SWATOW, AMOY & FOOTHOW. For Helene, at 11 a.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For MACAO. For Sui Toi, at 11.5 p.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For MANILA. For Longang, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For SHANGAI, MOJI & KOBE. For Wakamatsu Maru, at 3 p.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For MANILA. For Ruby, at 4 p.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For KOBE. For Hakata Maru, at 4 p.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For SINGAPORE, COLOMBO & BOMBAY. For Tokaido Maru, at 5 p.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For BANGKOK. For Paket, at 6 p.m., on Friday, the 2nd April.

For KUDAT & SANDAKAN. For Borneo, at 8 a.m., on Saturday, the 3rd April.

For BATAVIA, OERIBON, SAMARANG, SURABAYA & MACASSAR. For Timbo, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 3rd April.

For BANGKOK. For Korat, at 10 a.m., on Saturday, the 3rd April.

For SINGAPORE, PENANG & CALUTTA. For Leitao, at 3 p.m., on Saturday, the 3rd April.

For CHEONGTU & TIENTSIN. For Cheongtu, at 5 p.m., on Saturday, the 3rd April.

MAIL BY THE EASTERN PACKER. The British Contract Packet, Delhi to London, will sail on SATURDAY the 3rd April, with Mail for the United Kingdom, the Continent of Europe, and countries beyond, via Peking to the Straits Settlements, Netherlands India, Burma, Ceylon, Aden, Egypt, Malta, and Gibraltar. Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m. Registration at 10 a.m.

Registration, with late fee of 10 cents, up to 10.45 a.m.

Registration, London B.O., 10 a.m.

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